ABSTRACT

An Administrator Module existing as a layer of software residing on an Originating System's computer. A Server Module existing as a layer of software residing on the Originating System or some other system accessible by the Originating System. The

5   Administrator and Server Modules enable voluminous data of all types to be archived and retrieved by a user. The Administrator Module periodically or at a scheduled time analyzes the Originating System's computer for candidate data to be archived. The Administrator Module formulates a table indicating candidate data for archiving in an alternative storage medium accessible by the originating system. The Administrator

10   Module, upon command by the Originating System archives the candidate data and routinely purges data from the alternative storage media once that data has reached a predefined age. On demand the table indicating archived data is available for review by the user of the Originating System. Upon command by the user, the Server Module extracts selected data of interest from the alternative storage medium and restores the

15   data to the Originating System's file directories.